

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-22 have been canceled. Claims 23-34 remain in this application.

The examiner has allowed Claims 23-34.

CONCLUSION

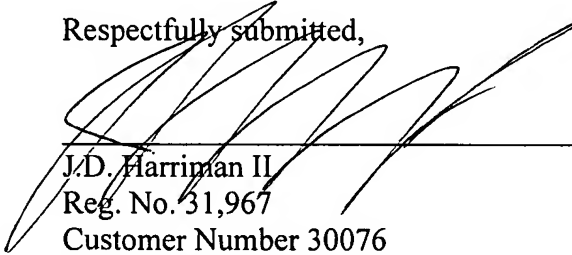
Applicants canceled claims 1-22 to place this case in condition for allowance; a timely Notice of Allowance to this effect is respectfully requested.

A Request for Extension of Time is filed with this Amendment and Response. No other fee is believed due with the submission of this paper. However, if the Applicant is mistaken, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees from Deposit Account No. 502811.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the foregoing, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (310) 712-8300. The undersigned attorney can normally be reached Monday through Friday from about 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM Pacific Time.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 6, 2005



J.D. Harriman II
Reg. No. 31,967
Customer Number 30076
Brown Raysman Millstein Felder & Steiner LLP
1880 Century Park East, Suite 1200
Los Angeles, California 90067-1621